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# **GOVERNMENT OF GOA**

Department of Agriculture

Directorate of Agriculture

# Notification

3/Crops & PP/80/3/SSSKL/2023-24/ /D.Agri/406

Ref.: 1) Notification No. 3/Crops & PP/80/ /3/SSSKL/2020-21 dated 30th November, 2020 and published in Official Gazette, Series I No. 37 dated 10th December, 2020.

Government is pleased to extend the Scheme "Financial Assistance to the Sanjivani Sahakari Sakhar Karkhana Ltd." for further period of six month or till the VRS is given to employees, whichever is earlier as per the notification referred at Sr. No. 1.

This issues with approval of the Government and the concurrence of the Finance Department under their U. O. No. 1400093264 dated 15-07-2023.

By order and in the name of the Governor of Goa.

Nevil Alphonso, Director of Agriculture & ex officio Joint Secretary.

Tonca-Caranzalem, 19th July, 2023.

#### **Notification**

3/3/Hort/SSS/Kera Suraksha/20/2023-24/ /D.Agri/206

Introduction.— Coconut is one of the major crops of Goa covering more than 26,646 ha. of area with annual production of 161.22 million nuts. The area under coconut is increasing steadily due to various problems faced by the Farming Community of Goa. Harvesting of coconut is one of the major problem posing threat for coconut production due to non-availability of expert coconut pluckers. At present, it is estimated that around 500-600 traditional coconut pluckers are carrying out the business of Harvesting of coconuts in a traditional way. As, this category of coconut pluckers need to be promoted for ease in harvesting of coconuts which is mainly carried out three to four times in a year besides regular maintenance of the coconut trees from the pest attack. Coconut pluckers i.e traditional as well as those pluckers trained by the Directorate of Agriculture, Government of Goa under Coconut Development Board Scheme will be insured under the scheme.

Short title and commencement.— a) The scheme shall be called 'Kera Suraksha Insurance Scheme'.

- b) The scheme shall come into force with immediate effect and shall remain in force till it is withdrawn.
- c) The scheme shall cover all Talukas of the State of Goa.

Objectives.— (a) To ease in harvesting of coconuts.

- (b) To maintain the coconut gardens infested by various pest like Red Palm Weevil, Rhinoceros Bettle, Bud Rot etc.
- (c) To provide insurance coverage to coconut pluckers.

Kera Suraksha Insurance Scheme.— The 'Kera Suraksha Insurance' Scheme is implemented by the Coconut Development Board in association with Insurance Company specified by Coconut Development Board for providing accidental insurance coverage to a maximum of Rs. 5.00 lakhs to Coconut Tree Climbers. Neera Technicians. Coconut Harvesters and Friends of Coconut Tree Trainees. 'Kera Suraksha Insurance' Scheme is a comprehensive group personal accident insurance scheme implemented for the benefit of coconut pluckers with a premium of Rs. 375/- or as fixed by Coconut Development Board which is shared between the Coconut Development Board and the beneficiary i.e coconut plucker in the ratio of 75:25%. At present, the beneficiary has to bear Rs. 94/- as the beneficiary share and the balance Rs. 281/- is borne by the Coconut Development Board. In-spite of promoting the scheme through various forums, the traditional coconut pluckers are hesitant to take up the insurance scheme.

It is therefore, decided to insure all the Coconut Pluckers, Toddy Tappers, Neera Technicians, Coconut Harvesters, Friends of Coconut Tree Trainees under the 'Kera Suraksha Insurance' Scheme from 2023-24 onwards. The insurance premium payable by the beneficiary will be borne by the Government to cover all the Coconut Pluckers, Toddy Tappers, Neera Technicians, Coconut Harvesters, Friends of Coconut Tree Trainees operating in the State of Goa by providing insurance coverage of Rs. 5.00 lakhs or as decided by the Coconut Development Board from time to time. It is proposed to cover 1000 coconut pluckers every year with addition of Friends of Coconut Tree Trainees with a financial outlay of Rs. 1.00 lakh annually.

# Components under the scheme and present compensation

Death/permanent total disability	Rs. 5.00 lakhs
Permanent partial disability	Rs. 2.50 lakhs
Hospital expense (24 hrs. IP)	Rs. 1,00,000/- (max.)
Weekly compensation in case of TTD	Rs. 18,000/- (Rs. 3,000/- per week)
Bystander expense	Rs. 3,000/- (max 15 days @ Rs. 200/- per day)
Ambulance charges	Rs. 3,000/-
Funeral expenses (Subject to producing bills)	Rs. 5,000/-

Scheme details and share of premium.-The Insurance Scheme specially designed as per the requirements of the beneficiary based on feedback suggestions received by Coconut Development Board. Every two years Coconut Development Board invites quotations from public sector insurance companies for personal accident insurance coverage for coconut tree climbers with a set of criterion decided by the Coconut Development Board. Depending on the benefits under different components and annual premium, Chairman, Coconut Development Board selects the most ideal and effective insurance agency. An Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) is signed between the insurance agency and Coconut Development Board, detailing the benefits under each component with annual premium and other terms and conditions of the insurance scheme which is valid for two years from the date of signing the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU).

The premium to be paid will be made applicable as per the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) signed by the Coconut Development Board with the insurance company/companies from time to time.

Responsibilities of Coconut Development Board.— a) Selection of Insurance Agencies based on performance and benefit parameters.

- b) Verifications of applications received from climbers and forwarding to insurance agency for insurance cover under the scheme.
- c) Forwarding policy certificates to beneficiaries.
- d) Submitting claim forms received from insurers to insurance agency after primary verification.
- e) Sending renewal notice to those insured under the scheme.
- f) Popularising the scheme and giving wide publicity on the components of the scheme to the stakeholders through extension programmes and through print/radio/digital media.

Responsibilities of the insurance agency.—
a) Timely issue of policies online to the Board for onward transmission to the beneficiary.

- b) On-time claim settlement through Direct Beneficiary Transfer (DBT).
  - c) Maintain transparency in transactions.
- d) Submission of account statement and other details as and when requested by Coconut Development Board.
- e) Intimidating credit balance under Coconut Development Board's account with the insurance agency at regular intervals/as and when requested from Coconut Development Board.
- f) Submitting the Utilization Certificate on completion of each financial year.
- g) Submission of details on claim settlement and decline claims if any, with reasons.

Responsibilities of Climbers/Harvesters/ Neera Technicians/Trainees (Beneficiaries). a) Submitting applications for insuring under the insurance scheme in the prescribed format with all mandatory documents.

b) Payment of his/her/their share of premium prescribed by the Coconut Development Board by way of demand draft/

/online mode or any other mode prescribed by the Coconut Development Board.

- c) Safe custody of policy document/policy number received from Board.
- d) Intimation of accident within seven days of its occurrence to Coconut Development
   Board
- e) Submission of claim form along with mandatory documents to Board in case of accidents-related hospital expense/death for getting benefits under the scheme.

Documents required to be attached along with application.— a) Application in the prescribed form.

- b) Copy of Aadhar Card.
- c) Birth Certificate/any document giving proof of Birth Date.
- d) Certification by the Zonal Agriculture Officer.
- e) Copy of the certificate issued by the Directorate of Agriculture/Coconut Development Board for undergoing friends of coconut Tree Training.
- f) Payment receipt for Rs. 94/- or as fixed by Coconut Development Board from time to time.

Guidelines and procedure adopted for sanction.— Applications are invited from the Coconut Pluckers, Toddy Tappers, Neera Technicians, Coconut Harvesters, Friends of Coconut Tree Trainess willing to insure themselves under 'Kera Suraksha Insurance' scheme of Coconut Development Board for taking the benefits under the scheme along with the prescribed documents.

The Zonal Agriculture Officer after receipt of the application in the prescribed form along with the documents enlisted above shall certify the genuiness of the beneficiary and submit the form to the Directorate of Agriculture for attestation and further submission to Coconut Development Board. The Directorate of Agriculture shall pay the beneficiary share as prescribed from time to

time to the Coconut Development Board or Insurance Company from the funds provided under the Coconut Development Board scheme of the State Government every year to insure/renew the insurance policies. The insurance policy will be renewed every year as per the prevailing guidelines of 'Kera Suraksha Insurance' scheme implemented by the Coconut Development Board and the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) signed with the insurance company.

The expenditure towards the 25% of the premium will be borne by the State Government from the Budget Head 2401—Crop Husbandry; 00—108 Commercial Crops; 04—Coconut Package Programme/ Development Board (P) (A).

Checks to be adopted and monitoring.— 10% of cases will be randomly inspected by District Agriculture Officer/Horticulture Section.

Interpretation.— If any question, arises regarding interpretation of any clause, word, expression of the scheme, the decision shall lie with the Government which shall be final and binding on all concerns.

Readdresal of grievances and disputes.—Grievances if any, arising out of the implementation of this scheme, shall be heard and decided by the Minister for Agriculture and the decision of the Minister for Agriculture in this regard shall be final and binding on all concerned.

The Minister of Agriculture shall have the powers to grant any relaxation in general or on cases to case basis regarding procedure and guidelines of the scheme in the interest of insuring all the Coconut Pluckers, Toddy Tappers, Neera Technicians, Coconut Harvesters, Friends of Coconut Tree Trainees operating in the State of Goa.

Power to grant relaxation as regard to administrative procedures in general or on case to case basis shall lie with Director of Agriculture and his decision in this regard shall be final and binding on all concerned. This issues with the concurrence of Finance Expenditure Department under U. O. No. Fin(Exp.) 1400091529 dated 28-06-2023.

By order and in the name of the Governor of Goa.

Nevil Alphonso, Director of Agriculture & ex officio Joint Secretary.

Tonca-Caranzalem, 20th July, 2023.

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# Department of Civil Supplies and Consumer Affairs

#### Notification

DCS/ADCS/Direct Selling/88/ /2023-24/1640

The notifications issued by Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution, New Delhi, listed below is published for the General information of the public;

"The Consumer Protection (Direct Selling) (Amendment) Rules, 2023, in Extraordinary Gazette of India Part II, Section 3, Sub-section (i), G.S.R. 454 (E) dated 21st June, 2023."

By order and in the name of the Governor of Goa.

Gopal A. Parsekar, Director of Civil Supplies and Consumer Affairs & ex officio Joint Secretary.

Panaji, 19th July, 2023.

MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

(Department of Consumer Affairs)

# **Notification**

New Delhi, the 21st June, 2023

G.S.R. 454(E).— In exercise of the powers conferred by clause (zg) of sub-section (2) of

section 101 read with section 94 of the Consumer Protection Act, 2019 (35 of 2019), the Central Government hereby makes the following rules to amend the Consumer Protection (Direct Selling) Rules, 2021, namely:—

- 1. (1) These rules may be called the Consumer Protection (Direct Selling) (Amendment) Rules, 2023.
- (2) They shall come into force on the date of their publication in the Official Gazette.
- 2. In the Consumer Protection (Direct Selling) Rules, 2021, in rule 3, in sub-rule (1).—
- (i) in clause (d), for the words "through direct sellers", the words "directly through a network of sellers" shall be substituted;
- (ii) after clause (g), the following clause shall be inserted, namely:—
  - '(ga) "network of sellers" means a network of direct sellers formed by a direct selling entity to sell goods or services for the purpose of receiving consideration solely from such sale;'.

[F. No. J-10/9/2018-CPU]

ANUPAM MISHRA, Jt. Secy.

Note: The Principal rules were published in the Gazette of India, Extraordinary, Part-II, Section 3, Sub-Section (i) vide G.S.R. 889(E) dated 28th December, 2021.

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# Department of Personnel

# Notification

1/29/86-PER (Pt. File)

In exercise of the powers conferred by the proviso to Article 309 of the Constitution of India read with section 21 of the General Clauses Act, 1897 (Central Act 10 of 1897), the Governor of Goa hereby makes the following rules so as to amend the Government of Goa, Office of the Director General of Police, Group 'C', Non-Ministerial, Non-Gazetted post, Recruitment Rules, 2021, published vide Notification No. 1/9/2021-PER

dated 10-11-2021, in the Official Gazette, Series I No. 34, dated 18-11-2021, as follows, namely:—

- 1. Short title and commencement.— (1) These rules may be called the Government of Goa, Office of the Director General of Police, Group 'C', Non-Ministerial, Non-Gazetted post, Recruitment (Amendment) Rules, 2023.
- (2) They shall come into force on the date of their publication in the Official Gazette.
- 2. Amendment of Schedule.— In the Government of Goa, Office of the Director General of Police, Group 'C', Non-Ministerial, Non-Gazetted post, Recruitment Rules, 2021, in the Schedule, against the post of "Police Constable (Male/Female)",—
- (1) in column (6), after the existing entry, the following entry shall be inserted, namely:—
  - "(iii) The upper age limit is relaxable for Ex-Agniveers and Security Guards/ Housekeeping staff from the Goa Human Resource Development Corporation upto five years."
- (2) in column (10), for the existing entry, the following entry shall be substituted, namely:—

"10% by absorption and 90% by direct recruitment amongst which 10% shall be reserved for Ex-Agniveers and Security Guards/Housekeeping staff employed in the Goa Human Resource Development Corporation with three years of service.

Note: In case of non-availability of eligible candidates from Ex-Agniveers, Security Guards/Housekeeping staff, the vacancies will be filled from other eligible candidates from General Category.".

By order and in the name of the Governor of Goa.

Eshant V. Sawant, Under Secretary (Personnel-I).

Porvorim, 21st July, 2023.

#### **Notification**

#### 1/20/2017-PER

In exercise of the powers conferred by the proviso to Article 309 of the Constitution of India read with section 21 of the General Clauses Act, 1897 (Central Act 10 of 1897), the Governor of Goa hereby makes the following rules so as to amend the Government of Goa, Directorate of Fire and Emergency Services, Group 'C', Non-Ministerial, Non-Gazetted posts, Recruitment Rules, 2014, published vide Notification No. 1/14/2005-PER/2405 dated 08-04-2014, in the Official Gazette, Series I No. 3, dated 17-04-2014, as follows, namely:—

- 1. Short title and commencement.— (1) These rules may be called the Government of Goa, Directorate of Fire and Emergency Services, Group 'C', Non-Ministerial, Non-Gazetted posts, Recruitment (Amendment) Rules, 2023.
- (2) They shall come into force on the date of their publication in the Official Gazette.
- 2. Amendment of Schedule.— In the Government of Goa, Directorate of Fire and Emergency Services, Group 'C', Non-Ministerial, Non-Gazetted posts, Recruitment Rules, 2014, in the Schedule, against the post of "Fire Fighter" at serial No. 2,—
- (1) in column 7, for the existing entry, the following entry shall be substituted, namely:—

"Not exceeding 28 years,-

- Note: (1) The upper age limit shall be relaxable for Government servants in accordance with the instructions and orders issued by the Government from time to time.
  - (2) The upper age limit shall be relaxable upto five years for the candidates of ExAgniveers and Security Guards/Housekeeping staff from the Goa Human Resource Development Corporation.".
- (2) in column 11, after the existing entry, the following Note shall be inserted, namely:—

- "Note: (1) 10% percent of vacancies shall be reserved for Ex-Agniveers and Security Guards/ Housekeeping staff employed in the Goa Human Resource Development Corporation with three years of service.
  - (2) In case of non-availability of eligible candidates from Ex-Agniveers and Security Guards/Housekeeping staff, the vacancies shall be filled from other eligible candidates from General Category.".

By order and in the name of the Governor of Goa.

Eshant V. Sawant, Under Secretary (Personnel-I).

Porvorim, 21st July, 2023.

#### Notification

### 1/7/2018-PER

In exercise of the powers conferred by the proviso to Article 309 of the Constitution of India read with section 21 of the General Clauses Act, 1897 (Central Act 10 of 1897), the Governor of Goa hereby makes the following rules so as to amend the Government of Goa, Chief Conservator of Forest, Group 'C', Non-Ministerial, Non-Gazetted posts, Recruitment Rules, 2012, published vide Notification No. 1/1/2005-PER dated 20-01-2012, in the Official Gazette, Series I No. 43 dated 27-01-2012, as follows, namely:—

- 1. Short title and commencement.— (1) These rules may be called the Government of Goa, Chief Conservator of Forest, Group 'C', Non-Ministerial, Non-Gazetted posts, Recruitment (Amendment) Rules, 2023.
- (2) They shall come into force on the date of their publication in the Official Gazette.
- 2. Amendment of Schedule.— In the Government of Goa, Chief Conservator of Forest, Group 'C', Non-Ministerial, Non-Gazetted posts, Recruitment Rules, 2012, in the Schedule, in column 11, against the post

of "Forest Guard" at serial No. 2, after the existing entry, the following Note shall be inserted, namely:—

- "Note: (1) 10% of vacancies shall be reserved for Ex-Agniveers, Security Guards/House keeping staff employed in the Goa Human Resource Development Corporation with three years service.
  - (2) In case of non-availability of eligible candidates from Ex-Agniveers and Security Guards/Housekeeping staff, the vacancies shall be filled from other eligible candidates from General Category.".

By order and in the name of the Governor of Goa.

Eshant V. Sawant, Under Secretary (Personnel-I).

Porvorim, 21st July, 2023.

# **Notification**

## 1/5/2023-PER

In exercise of the powers conferred by the proviso to Article 309 of the Constitution of India read with section 21 of the General Clauses Act, 1897 (Central Act 10 of 1897), the Governor of Goa hereby makes the following rules so as to amend the Government of Goa, Office of the Commissioner of Excise, Group 'C', Non-Ministerial, Non-Gazetted posts, Recruitment Rules, 2013, published vide Notification No. 1/25/86-PER (Pt. file) dated 10-04-2013, in the Official Gazette, Series I No. 2, dated 12-04-2013, as follows, namely:—

- 1. Short title and commencement.— (1) These rules may be called the Government of Goa, Office of the Commissioner of Excise, Group 'C', Non-Ministerial, Non Gazetted posts, Recruitment (Amendment) Rules, 2023.
- (2) They shall come into force on the date of their publication in the Official Gazette.
- 2. Amendment of Schedule.— In the Government of Goa, Office of the Commissioner of Excise, Group 'C', Non-

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Ministerial, Non-Gazetted posts, Recruitment Rules, 2013, in the Schedule, in column 11, against the post of "Assistant Excise Guard" at serial No. 2, after the existing entry, the following Note shall be inserted, namely:—

"Note: (1) 10% of vacancies shall be reserved for Ex-Agniveers, Security Guards/House keeping staff employed in the Goa Human Resource Development Corporation with three years service.

(2) In case of non-availability of eligible candidates from Ex-Agniveers and Security Guards/Housekeeping staff, the vacancies shall be filled from other eligible candidates from General Category.".

By order and in the name of the Governor of Goa.

Eshant V. Sawant, Under Secretary (Personnel-I).

Porvorim, 21st July, 2023.

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